

## CARPENTERS SIGN UP WITH MANY FIRMS

Fifty firms have been signed up by the carpenters in preparation for the strike which seems inevitable at the end of this week. They are divided among office fixture makers, sash and door manufacturers and milling concerns. They have agreed to pay 44 cents an hour, an increase of 3 cents during the first year, and have set 8½ hours as a day's work.

During the second year of the contract the firms are signing the rate is to be 48 cents an hour, and an eight-hour day. The third year will pay the men 50 cents an hour.

Several thousand carpenters will be at work by the end of the week, when the strike is expected, and they will be placed under union pay and conditions. Some of the larger firms which have signed up with the union are: The Aetna Cabinet Co., Acme Cabinet Co., G. J. Hellum Co. and the West Side Sash & Door Co.

Secretary Galvin of the carpenters could see little chance for peace.

"We have presented our demands to the employers and have made our stand firm for the separate agreement. If we must fight we shall be found ready. Unless our requests are met we shall call out our men on Friday morning."

Journeymen plasterers will meet tonight to discuss the ultimatum of the plastering contractors who gave the union men till tomorrow to return to work or be locked out. The plasterers went on strike because the lathers were locked out.

Sheet metal contractors will meet to discuss the lockout of the sheet metal workers, which was ordered by the executive committee of the Building Construction Employers' ass'n. The contractors are under bond to obey the rulings of the committee and yet have another agreement with the union which prevents outside contractors from entering Chicago. They are undecided which agreement to break.

Threats of a lockout by the Milk Dealers' ass'n ceased suddenly when the association granted the Milk Wagon Drivers' union their demand for a two weeks' vacation each year. A strike has been averted and the price of milk will not go up.

## THOMPSON FOR THE KIDS AND WHAT'S BEST FOR THEM

Mayor-elect Wm. Hale Thompson at South Park av. Methodist Church, Sunday night said:

"Some call me a sportsman. Others call me a sport. I do not care what they call me but every time I can add a playground or a baseball field or a tennis court to the city's possessions I am going to do it.

"Give the boys and girls a chance to go where they learn to do right. Take them out of the alleys and ash barrels into the playgrounds. Give them athletic fields. Give them a place where they can get out into the open air.

"As mayor of Chicago, I will do my best as God gives me the light to see the right. I will try to be fair and just to all.

"I will keep my ear close to the ground to try to learn the wishes of the majority. Having learned it, I will act.

"I want you to help me. I am under no obligation to any politician or any interest. I am free to do what I believe to be the right thing to do. I appeal to you to support me."

## HIS REGRET

In the little English village a woman committed suicide by hanging herself to an apple tree. At the funeral a neighbor, noticing the sad appearance of the husband, consoled him by saying that he had met with a terrible loss.

"Yes," said the husband, heaving a sigh. "She must have kicked like thunder to shake off six bushels of green apples that would have been worth a crown a bushel when they got ripe."